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TO : Chief, Foreign Division M  
FROM : Chief of Station, Vienna  
SUBJECT: GENERAL- Operational  
SPECIFIC. Johann SANITZER

DATE: 6 February 1950  
Attention:



*\* Soviet State Police under East Ger. Govt.*

1. Attached is a clipping from the Weltspresse of 4 February 1950 which states that subject now holds an important post with the Eastern Zone Police, Germany. The article also points out that subject is an expert in the cracking of ciphers and codes and that during the war in 1944 he attempted to play back Allied agents.

2. SANITZER, who was sentenced to life by an Austrian Peoples Court, was removed by the Soviets about a year ago from the Austrian Federal Penitentiary in Stein, Lower Austria, where he was serving his sentence. It was SANITZER who, during the war, interrogated the DuPont Mission consisting of Lt. Jack TAYLOR, USMR.

Attachment

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